

In the Claims:

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Please amend claim 15 as follows:

15. (Twice Amended) An undercabinet lighting assembly comprising:
a housing; and
a first plurality of Light Emitting Diodes (LEDs) mounted within the fixture housing forming at least one array of LEDs, the array of LEDs generating an LED beam and serving as a light source, said first plurality of LEDs being powered by an AC power source and a battery source upon failure of the AC power source.

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed March 25, 2002, the Examiner rejected claims 1-29. The Examiner rejected claims 11, 12 and 15-29 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention. Claims 1, 8-10, 13-15, 22-24 and 27-29 were rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,548,494 to Blackman ("Blackman") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,301,090 to Hed ("Hed"). The Examiner also rejected claims 2-7 and 16-21 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), as being unpatentable over Blackman in view of Hed and U.S. Patent No. 5,998,928 to Hipp ("Hipp"). In addition, the Examiner rejected claims 11 and 25 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), as being unpatentable over Blackman in view of Hed and U.S. patent No. 5,891,768 to Splane ("Splane"). Furthermore, the Examiner rejected claims 12 and 26 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), as being unpatentable over Blackman in view of Hed and U.S. Patent No. 5,887,969 to Gordin ("Gordin").

In addition, the Examiner objected to the drawings as failing to comply with 37 C.F.R. §1.84(p)(5) as not including reference signs mentioned in the description. The Examiner also objected to the drawings under 37 C.F.R. §1.83(a) as not showing every feature of the invention specified in the claims.

Furthermore, the Examiner objected to claim 15 for informalities, namely, stating that there is a lack of antecedent basis for the claim.